(b) and (c) The Planning Commission has had no occasion to criticise implementation of Steel Projects in the public sector.

(d) While the on-going projects are sought to be completed within the periods indicated in ttne above statement by intensive monitoring, Government is taking steps to ensure that some of the major reasons which delayed projects in the past do not recur in the future Greater emphasis will be placed on detailed project prepration, formulation of an integrated project management team from conceptiln to commissioning of the project. curring down of time for tender appraisals, import clearance and release of foreign exchange. Stricter contracts will be entered into with imposition of high penalties for non-performance. It is expected that with these proposed measures. new projects to be taken up will not witness the same delays as are witnessed in some of the on-going projects.

Subletting of Government Houses

1672. SHRI M.S. GURUPADASWAMY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's action against Government officials and employees for sub-letting their houses without permission has resulted in any check on the misuse of government houses ;

(b) if so. what are the details thereof ;

(c) the number of officers and employees who have been prosecuted during the last two years ; and

(d) what departmental disciplinary action has been taken against these officers since orders were issued in this behalf ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) From January, 1985 to June 1986, allotment of 1013 quarters has been cancelled on grounds of proved subletting. Departments of concerned defaulting employees are also informed of the position for taking suitable action in accordance with O.M. No. 11013/14/85-Estt. (A) dated 6-3-86 issued by the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pension (Deptt. of Personnel & Training).

Orphans Homes

1673. SHRI GANESHWAR KUSUM : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of orphans homes opened in the country so far ;

(b) the State and Union Territory-wise location of each of these orphans homes ;

(c) whether it is a fact that there are a large number of destitute orphans without a home in the country;

(d) if so, the steps taken to create more orphans homes ; and

(e) the details of the schemes of Government in this regard ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI GIRDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b) This Ministry does not maintain a list of all the orphan homes in the country. However 861 orphans homes in the country are in receipt of financial assistance under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme for the Welfare of Children in Need of Care and Protection. Statement Indicating State-wise break-up of such organisation is enclosed.